

NOTE TO REVIEWER: As noted in the supporting statement, each State agency will be asked for site-level administrative data first. If they do not have the data available at this level, they will be asked for sponsor-level data. They will not be asked to provide data at both levels, but both are provided here for reference.

Exhibit C: Request for Site-Level FNS-418 Data

We are asking each State to provide site-level administrative records data based on the data your State submitted for the FNS-418, Report of the Summer Food Service Program for Children, for Federal fiscal year (FY) 2024 (October 2023 through September 2024). Fulfilling this data request will help FNS gain a deeper understanding of Child Nutrition Program operations in FY 2024. The information you provide is particularly important during this time when FNS is assessing program operations as sites and sponsors return to normal operations after COVID-19.

Please provide the FNS-418 Report of the Summer Food Service Program for Children at the site level for FY 2023. Table 1 at the end of this document shows all the data elements we are requesting for each site. Although some of these data are reported to FNS annually, we are requesting monthly data for each section of the FNS-418 form.

Please provide the data in whatever format is easiest for you. For example, you could provide separate files for each month or a single Excel file with separate tabs for each month.

In addition to the FNS-418 data, for each site please provide:

- Site name
- Site ID number
- Site City
- Site zip code
- Indicator of whether the site is a self-prep/rural site or “other” site
- Sponsor name
- Sponsor ID number
- Indicator of whether the sponsor is a school, government, residential camp, national youth sports program, or non-profit private sponsor
- Indicator of whether site operates as an open or closed site

Data delivery timeline

Please provide the data file for FY 2024 by April 1, 2025.

The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is collecting this information to understand Child Nutrition Program operations in FY 2024 and will use the information to inform planning, policy, and guidance related to the Child Nutrition Programs. Because the personally identifiable information (PII) requested under this collection will not be used to retrieve survey records or data, requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974 do not apply. Responses will be kept private to the extent provided by law and FNS regulations. According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0584-0607. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 4.0 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, 1320 Braddock Place, 5th Floor, Alexandria, VA 22314, ATTN: PRA (0584-0607). Do not return the completed form to this address.

Data delivery and storage

Most data files requested for this study, including any files requested in the web survey, can be submitted via email. However, if the data files contain sensitive information (for example, the names of individuals) or if an extra level of security is preferred, secure options for transmitting the files include password-protecting the files, sending the files through a secure transfer platform used by the State agency, or uploading them to Mathematica’s secure transfer site hosted by Box. We can accept data in any standard format. We will store the data in a secure project directory where only those working with the data will have access.

Complete list of data elements requested

Table 1. Data elements requested for each site

Data element (monthly)	Item number on FNS-418
FNS-418 Part A	
For each site	
• Number of breakfasts served	5-A, 5-B
• Number of lunches served	8-A, 8-B
• Number of suppers served	11-A, 11-B
• Number of supplements served	14-A, 14-B
FNS-418 Part B	
For each site eligible to receive USDA donated commodities, cumulative number of meals (all types) actually served	24
FNS-418 Part D	
Average daily attendance for each site	33
Number of SFSP operating days	Not reported on FNS-418
Other information to include with all data	
Site name	
Site ID number	
Site city	
Site zip code	
Indicator of whether the site is a self-prep/rural site or “other” site	Not reported on FNS-418
Indicator of whether site operates as an open or closed site	
Sponsor name	
Sponsor ID number	
Indicator of whether the sponsor is a school, government, residential camp, national youth sports program, or non-profit private sponsor	

Exhibit C: Request for Sponsor-Level FNS-418 Data

We are asking each State to provide administrative records data based on the data your State submitted for the FNS-418, Report of the Summer Food Service Program for Children, for Federal fiscal year (FY) 2024 (October 2023 through September 2024). Fulfilling this data request will help FNS gain a deeper understanding of Child Nutrition Program operations in FY 2024. The information you provide is particularly important during this time when FNS is assessing program operations as sites and sponsors return to normal operations after COVID-19. We are asking States that are unable to provide site-level data to provide sponsor-level data.

Data request

Please provide the FNS-418 Report of the Summer Food Service Program for Children at the sponsor level for FY 2024. Table 1 at the end of this document shows all the data elements we are requesting for each sponsor. Although some of these data are reported to FNS annually, we are requesting monthly data for each section of the FNS-418 form.

Please provide the data in whatever format is easiest for you. For example, you could provide separate files for each month or a single Excel file with separate tabs for each month.

In addition to the FNS-418 data, for each sponsor please provide:

- Name
- ID number
- City
- Zip code
- Indicator of whether the sponsor is a school, government, residential camp, national youth sports program, or non-profit private sponsor
- Count of sites operating as open or closed sites

Data delivery timeline

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Complete list of data elements requested

Table 1. Data elements requested for each sponsor

Data element (monthly)	Item number on FNS-418
FNS-418 Part A	
For each sponsor	
• Number of breakfasts served	
– Self-prep/rural sites	5-A
– Other sites	5-B
• Number of lunches served	
– Self-prep/rural sites	8-A
– Other sites	8-B
• Number of suppers served	
– Self-prep/rural sites	11-A
– Other sites	11-B
• Number of supplements served	
– Self-prep/rural sites	14-A
– Other sites	14-B
FNS-418 Part B	
For each sponsor eligible to receive USDA donated commodities, cumulative number of meals (all types) actually served	24
FNS-418 Part D	
Number of sites operated by each sponsor	31
For non-profit private sponsors: Number of rural sites	32
Average daily attendance for each sponsor	33
Average number of SFSP operating days for each sponsor	Not reported on FNS-418
Other information to include with all data	
Name	
ID number	
City	
Zip code	Not reported on FNS-418
Indicator of whether the sponsor is a school, government, residential camp, national youth sports program, or non-profit private sponsor	
Count of sites operating as open or closed sites	